



ALLIES GIVE UP ALBANIA EXCEPT FORTIFIED CITY

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NAVAL FIGHT IS PROBABLE

Enemy Fleet May Bombard Fortresses Which Italians Are Preparing Against an Attack—Allies Determined to Hold Position as Base for Future Operations.

ROME, Jan. 28.—The allies are evacuating Albania, except Avlona, and the immediate hinterland, while the Austrians and Bulgarians are approaching Avlona from the north and east. Official dispatches indicate that one of the most important battles in the Balkan struggles may begin in a fortnight. The Italians are fortifying the city against attack.

It is expected the Austrian fleet will shell Avlona and a terrific naval battle is extremely probable. Within ten days the Teutonic occupation of the entire Balkan peninsula, except Greece, will be complete. The allies are determined to hold Avlona, like Saloniki, because of the great strategic value as a base for conducting future campaigns.

The Italians are evacuating Durazzo. The announcement of the Austrian occupation of the port is hourly expected. The Austrians are moving toward Plannit to unite with the Bulgarians moving westward from the Epirus district. Officials believe the Teutons have abandoned the proposed Saloniki assault until Avlona has been attacked. Greece has long wanted southern Albania, and hence a Teutonic success would have a marked political effect upon King Constantine's attitude.

WILSON IN FIGHTING MOOD AS HE BEGINS PREPAREDNESS TOUR

PRESIDENT DELIVERS FIRST SPEECH IN NEW YORK LAST NIGHT

NEW YORK, Jan. 28.—President Wilson last night opened his personal appeal to the country for national defense. He gave warning that plans for the readjustment of the army must be formulated and carried out without delay, and solemnly declared he could not predict that the outlook for the United States would be as bright tomorrow as today.

Speaking at banquets of the Railway Business Association, and the Motion-Picture Board of Trade, he sounded the keynote of addresses that he will deliver during the next 10 days in the middle west.

President in Fighting Trim. Mr. Wilson was in a fighting mood throughout his address. In a speech delivered early in the day he declared he always accepted an invitation to fight. Last night he told the railway men he was an advocate of peace and had struggled to keep the United States at peace, but he considered the liberty and honor of the nation even more important than peace.

Woe to any man who plays marplot or who seeks to make party, political or personal ambition take precedence over candor, honor and unselfish, unpartisan service," said the president, in speaking of his defense plan before the railroad men.

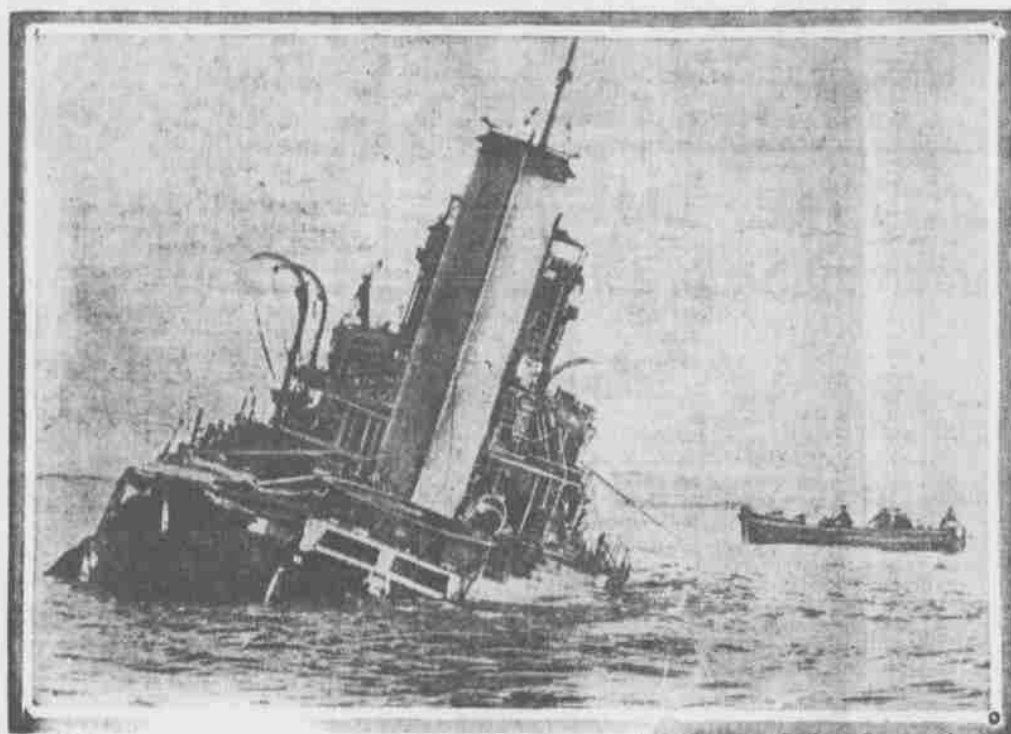
Country Expects Action. He declared that the country expects action; this is a year of accounting, and the accounting must be definite on the part of the parties and on the part of every individual who wishes to enjoy the public confidence.

"For my part, I hope every man in public life will get what's coming to him," said Mr. Wilson, amid laughter and applause.

The president at both banquets and all during the day's visit to New York was greeted with enthusiasm. On his ride between the hotels where the banquets were held he was escorted by a band and the Ninth company of coast artillery of the New York national guard. Thousands of persons packed the streets and cheered as he passed.

Springs Sensation in Senate. WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Senator Walsh sprang a sensation by reading what he declared were the British orders to blockade vessels and obtain trade secrets by illegally opening American mail.

Stranded British Warship in Dardanelles



This remarkable photograph of the stranded British torpedo boat destroyer, L10, was made in the Dardanelles just as the last of the crew were being in a launch sent from another ship in the fleet. The L10 was grounded and the Turks shelled her from the land forts with such effect that she had to be abandoned. Not one member of the crew was lost in the transfer from the stranded vessel, although an almost constant fire was directed toward the ship from the Turkish forts.

Louis D. Brandeis Appointed to Succeed the Late Justice Lamar of the Supreme Court

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—The White House announced the appointment of Louis D. Brandeis of Boston, associate justice, succeeding the late Justice Lamar. Brandeis is known for his radical and strong pro labor views.

The nomination of Brandeis formally went to the senate at 1:15 this afternoon. It created a sensation there. Everyone was committed in favor of other candidates. Southern members especially were startled, because they believed another southerner would get the distinction because Lamar was a southerner.

Though numerous papers backed Brandeis, his chances were considered slim because his political backing was weak.

Brandeis is of Jewish extraction. He was born in Louisville, educated in Louisville and Dresden and holds an honorary degree from Harvard. He was counsel for Glavin during the allinger-Pinchot investigation.

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Vessel Carries 300 Persons and is Week Overdue—Damaged Lifeboats of Ship Picked up.

MAY HAVE SUNK IN STORM

Anxious Relatives of Passengers Gather at London and Liverpool Offices Seeking Some News—Violent Gale Has Been Sweeping Eastern Atlantic for Two Weeks.

LIVERPOOL, Jan. 28.—The African liner Appam is believed to be a total loss off the Moroccan coast. It left French General for Liverpool on the 11th. The steamer Tregantle rescued damaged lifeboats belonging to the Appam. The owners have not heard from the vessel. It is believed the liner foundered in a heavy storm.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Anxious relatives besieged line offices here and at Liverpool waiting word from the African liner Appam. The company admitted the vessel, with over 300 aboard, was a week overdue and feared it had been sunk.

A number of smaller vessels are missing as the result of violent storms on the eastern Atlantic for two weeks.

Snow That Falls Here is Badly in Need of Good Bath

SAND AND DUST STORM ALONG COLUMBIA COLORS SNOW A BROWNISH TINT.

"White and clean as the driven snow" is a term not applicable in Pendleton today. Though the snow is driven alright, it is far from white and clean, due to a terrific sand and dust storm that filled the air with fine dust particles.

A fine snow began falling about midnight last night and perhaps two inches had fallen by morning on top of the previous fall. Residents were surprised to find it a dirty, light brownish color and many were unable to understand the strange phenomenon. An analysis of the snow, however, revealed the presence of much dirt and news of the dust storm to the west completed the explanation.

According to Horace Walker of Stanfield, who is here today, the air was heavy with dust at his place yesterday. The storm evidently coming from along the sandy banks of the Columbia. C. L. Lutz of Cold Springs states that when he left home yesterday there was a heavy dust storm.

There is only about an inch of snow there, he states, and this was not sufficient to keep the dust from rising. The snow which followed swept the air clean of the dust particles and brought them down to earth.

The snowfall, which continued past 10 o'clock, was very fine and dry and drifted easily before the light breeze.

No One Can Say the Pilot Rock Branch is Without a Heart

That the Umatilla Central Railway (generally known to fame as the Pilot Rock branch) is a good fellow even if it has never been a dividend producer, according to railway officials, is proven by a story that has reached town. Yesterday a party of Butte creek people, composed of Charles Nelson, Pat Doherty, Ben Doherty and a Mr. Taylor, drove to Pilot Rock to catch the train into Pendleton. Making the trip through snow drifts they were considerably delayed and saw that unless they took unusual measures they would miss their train.

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Close Race to be Run by Candidates for Conventions

BOTH REPUBLICANS AND DEMOCRATS WILL HAVE CONTESTS FOR HONORS.

As the time for the May primaries draws nearer, indications are becoming plainer that there is to be a hot fight in both the republican and democratic parties for the honor of representing this congressional district at the national conventions in June. The latest aspirant for republican delegate from eastern Oregon is W. H. Brooke of Ontario, while Judge A. S. Bennett of The Dalles is out to go to the democratic convention though he has not yet decided whether he will run from this district or from the state at large. Letters from Mr. Brooke and Judge Bennett were received this morning by Will M. Peterson, who has already entered the race at the democratic primaries. Mr. Brooke, who is district attorney in Malheur county and who formerly served in the legislature, is the second republican to enter from the eastern Oregon district. Senator J. N. Burgess of Umatilla county having previously entered the race. However, it is expected others will file later.

There are two delegates from both parties to be elected from each congressional district and four each from the state at large. W. N. Matlock of this city has about decided to run for democratic delegate from the state at large. Besides Mr. Peterson, County Judge Bibeau of Walla Walla county and President Holmes of the Woodrow Wilson Club of La Grande have already entered the race for democratic delegate from eastern Oregon.

ECHO DEBATORS WIN OUT OVER THE ATHENA TEAM

(Special Correspondence.)

ECHO, Ore., Jan. 28.—By a two to one vote of the judges the Echo debaters won out last evening against the Athena school team in the first contest held in this county on the subject of the Swiss military training system and its adaptability to the United States.

The Athena debaters were Tom Catton and Ruby Bannister, while Echo was represented by Jessie Andrews and Esther Scholl. The speakers on each side presented able arguments and did so in capable manner. However the decision of the judges were favorable to Echo. The judges were R. F. Bixby of Nolin, Ormer Smith of Pendleton and J. T. Hinkle of Echo.

The winning team is to meet a Morrow county team next.

Emperor Josef Is Sinking.

LONDON, Jan. 28.—Emperor Franz Josef suffered a severe chill and is growing weaker. Copenhagen reports. Archduke Karl is in constant attendance at the bedside.

The first farm paper was printed in England in 1821 and dignified itself with the title Collection of Letters for the Improvement of Husbandry and Trade.

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BRYAN DEMANDS EXPLANATION OF MILITARY PLAN

In Statement Issued Today Former Secretary of State Challenges President to Outline Reason.

PREPAREDNESS CONDEMNED

Scheme Would Work Complete Revolution in Our Ideals and Governmental Methods Says Bryan—Gives No Hint As to What His Future Attitude in Matter Will Be.

MIAMI, Florida, Jan. 28.—Bryan issued a statement challenging the president to outline his reasons for urging preparedness. He did not hint what his own future plans would be with respect to the administration program. The statement said:

"I cordially commend the president's plan to lay before the voters his reasons for asking further preparedness. The people are entitled to all the light possible so they may intelligently advise their public servants in congress. They have heard from the manufacturers of munitions to whom preparedness is an outdoor relief and they have heard from corporations which want a large army to overawe employees. They have heard from the army and navy experts, magnifying their calling and planning to meet every imaginable danger.

"Having heard fully from these biased sources, the public will appreciate a statement from the president giving his reasons for urging a radical departure from the history policy of his party and the traditions of the nation. The sum which the president asks would absorb almost the entire income of the American farmers. The scheme would work a complete revolution in our ideals and governmental methods and the character and influence we will exert on the world."

LOSS IN FLOODS IN CALIFORNIA WILL BE WELL INTO MILLIONS

MANY CITIES IN SOUTHERN PART OF STATE COMPLETELY ISOLATED.

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 28.—(Wireless to San Francisco.)—Southern California is completely isolated from the world, excepting for wireless communication. The flood which swept the entire southern part of the state yesterday and last night, wrought greater havoc than any flood in the history of California, though no fatalities have been reported.

The million dollar Los Angeles sewer broke this morning at Englewood and the sewage threatened to flood the lowlands. The whole country between Los Angeles and Santa Ana is inundated.

With a 50 mile gale blowing, water is two feet deep in the lower streets of San Diego. The Vannoy dam has burst and the town of Vannoy is flooded to a depth of four feet. Redlands and San Bernardino are without light or power. Two feet of water are in some of the streets in Redlands and the wind has wrought much damage. Several houses were wrecked and the brick front of the chamber of commerce building collapsed during the storm at Lancaster.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 28.—The violence of the greatest storm that has visited California in recent years is subsiding this morning. The wind in some places blew as high as 95 miles an hour. It is expected the loss will reach into the millions.

The San Joaquin valley felt the full force of the storm. Before communication was interrupted today, it was estimated 150 oil derricks in the Central district had been blown over. Southern California is completely cut off from communication. Floods there are running high.

Los Angeles is without railroads in any direction. Small buildings in the San Joaquin valley were blown down. Fred House, a landowner, was killed.

Wilson Departs Tonight.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 28.—Wilson is prepared to leave tonight on what is expected to prove the swiftest expedition of his career. His wife accompanied him, to help further the plans for making America militarily and industrially prepared to defend herself. Mr. Wilson arrived home at 7:15 this morning and devoted the day to business matters preparatory to his expedition.